(ख) क्या उस कर्मचारी के जिसने यह पहल की थी, विरुद्ध कोई विभागीय कार्यवाही की गई है और उसे सेवा से बरखास्त कर दिया गया था ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि ऐसा संयंत्र गत कुछ वर्षों से देश में एक प्राइवेट संस्थान द्वारा चलाया जा रहा है और यह संस्थान काफी मुनाफा कमा रहा है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो ऐसी अच्छी पहल करने के लिए उस कर्मचारी को सेवा से बरखास्त किये जाने के क्या कारण है ?

इ... ... ... मंत्री (श्री माखन लाल फोतेदार) : (क) और (ख) जी, नहीं ।

(ग) सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी नहीं है कि देश में एक गैर-सरकारी संस्थान द्वारा पैलेट बनाने वाला कोई संयंत्र चलाया जा रहा है ।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Non-utilization of IRDP amount in Madhya Pradesh

2763. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an amount of Rupees 77 crores out of the assistance granted to Madhya Pradesh for I.R.D.P. has been deposited in different districts without spending it, as a result of it financial assistance could not be available to thousands of poor people living below the poverty line;

(b) whether any action has been taken against the persons found guilty of keeping the amount of the grant deposited for such a long time without utilising it;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether Government propose to make any improvement in the monitoring being done in this regard and the central level;

(e) during which years the above mentioned amount was granted to the State Government and whether the State Government had showed this amount as spent earlier; and

(f) whether instructions are likely to be issued to the State Governments to fix the responsibility of the concerned official/individual for furnishing wrong information in respect of the programmes meant for the poor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (f) Information has been called from the State Government and the same is awaited.

Focus on political Activities of Prime Minister and Congress

2764. SHRI M. VINCENT:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Doordarshan focuses more attention on the political activities of the Prime Minister and Congress Party; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to convert the Doordarshan into an autonomous body so that it could function without bias?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) No, Sir. Doordarshan covers important news and current events in a fair, objective and balanced manner. The speeches/statements of the Prime Minister are given due notice as these are considerd to be the policy statements of the Head of the Government.

(b) Does not arise. Doordarshan has complete functional autonomy.